

MINUTES OF THE COURTHOUSE SECURITY MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2015

Call to Order

The Courthouse Security Committee was called to order on April 10, 2015 at 9:10 am by Judge Storck.

Roll Call

Members in attendance were: Judge Storck, Judge Sciascia, Sheriff Dale Schmidt, Scott Smith, Mary Ann Miller, James Ketchem, Russ Kottke, Russ Freber, Bernie Mueller, Lynn Hron, Greg Vollan.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Kottke to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2015 meeting, 2nd by Vollan, Motion Carried.

Discussion of the security upgrades as presented by Mead & Hunt

Judge Storck's memo listing the sub-committee's considered security upgrades discussed along with the timetable – should be ready for budget consideration in November with completion in 2016.

Cameras – The cameras would be upgraded to digital. With a cost of approximately \$3500 each it was decided not to consider cameras in the back hall behind the 2nd floor courtrooms. The DA waiting area and Child Support waiting area were discussed but a decision to purchase was not made. It is not certain of the cost of security cameras for the courtrooms and they will not be considered until the cost is known.

Courtroom back hallway door access – There are 2 options, one having key FOB access on 7 courtroom doors and the 2nd FOB access on 8 judicial suite doors. Cost for each FOB is \$1500.

Doors from Family Court Counseling, Branch 5, and DA stairway would require 3 key FOB's.

Upgrade of computers at the Security Station in the Justice Facility – The remote locking of the front doors from the station discussed along with locking of the vestibule doors by the Clerk of Courts Office. Judge Sciascia suggests some type of special alert going out to court security via an email or an alert from the clerk's computer in the courtroom to security when the doors should be locked.

Bailiff and Security Officer access to monitors for hallways, holding cells, and other courtrooms – The amount would be \$30,000 to equip the 5 courtrooms with this type monitoring system. Sheriff Schmidt and Scott Smith explain what the Sheriff's Dept is looking at for their monitoring needs at the jail. A similar system has been installed at the Henry Dodge Bldg. Judge Sciascia is in favor of some type of in-house monitoring system.

The next meeting with Mead & Hunt is to take place the first week of June.

Motion by Judge Sciascia to endorse the recommendations that the sub-committee has already agreed on, 2nd by Ketchem, Motion Carried.

New Business

Ketchem advises that Court Security Officer Ed Oestreich has resigned and Steve Allermann is starting soon.

Date, time, and location of next meeting

The next meeting of the Courthouse Security Committee will take place following the August Law Enforcement Committee meeting on August 7, 2015 at 9:00 am in Room 3038C of the Dodge County Justice Facility, 210 W. Center Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Motion by Judge Sciascia to adjourn, 2nd by Ketchem, Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

Judge John Storck

Lynn Hron, Secretary

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